STUDENT SUPPORT SYSTEMS FOR POSTSECONDARY PERSISTENCE AND SUCCESS



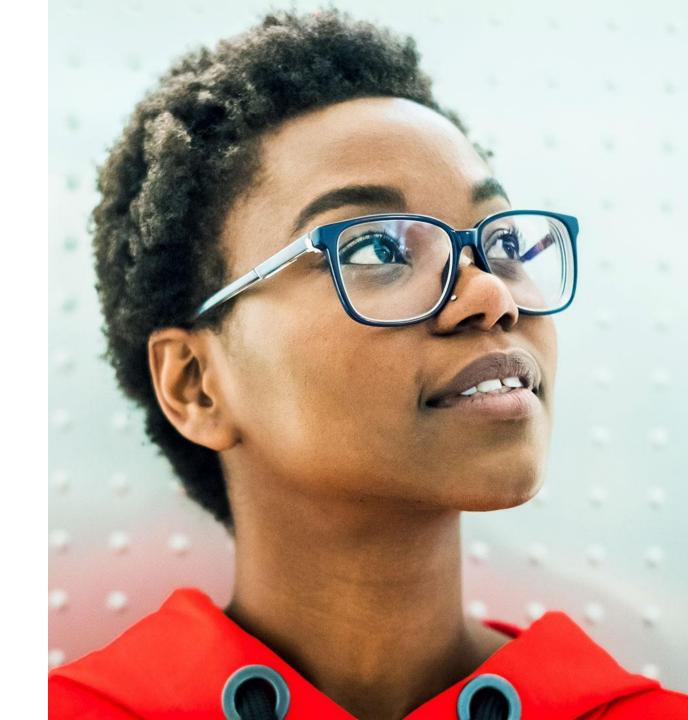
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ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW

ABOUT **JFF**

The American labor market is broken. Our rapidly changing economy demands skilled and adaptable workers, but many people lack the education and training employers require. JFF is transforming the workforce and education systems to accelerate economic advancement for all.

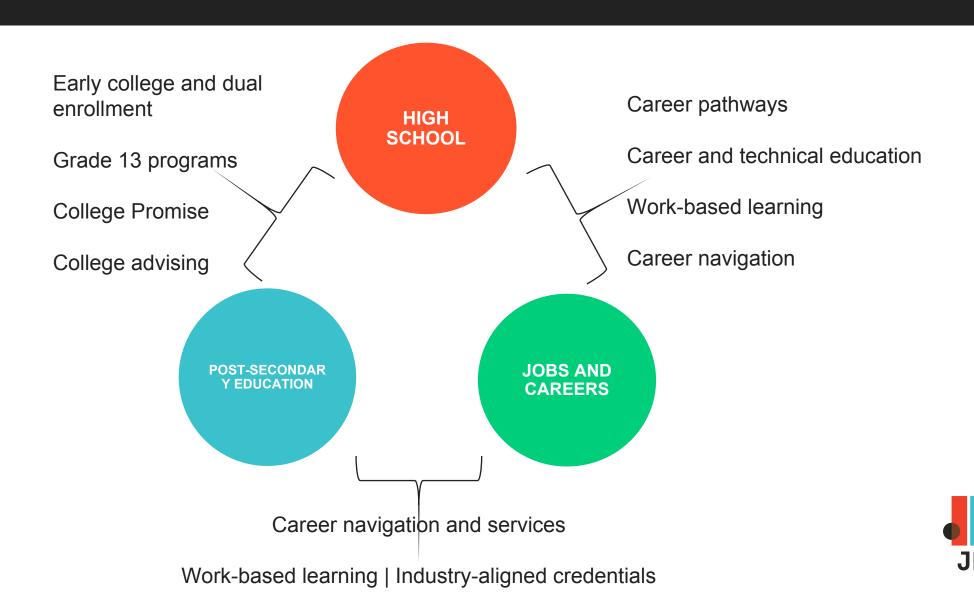
JFF designs innovative solutions, scales proven programs, and influences industry action and policymaking to drive the most transformative impact.



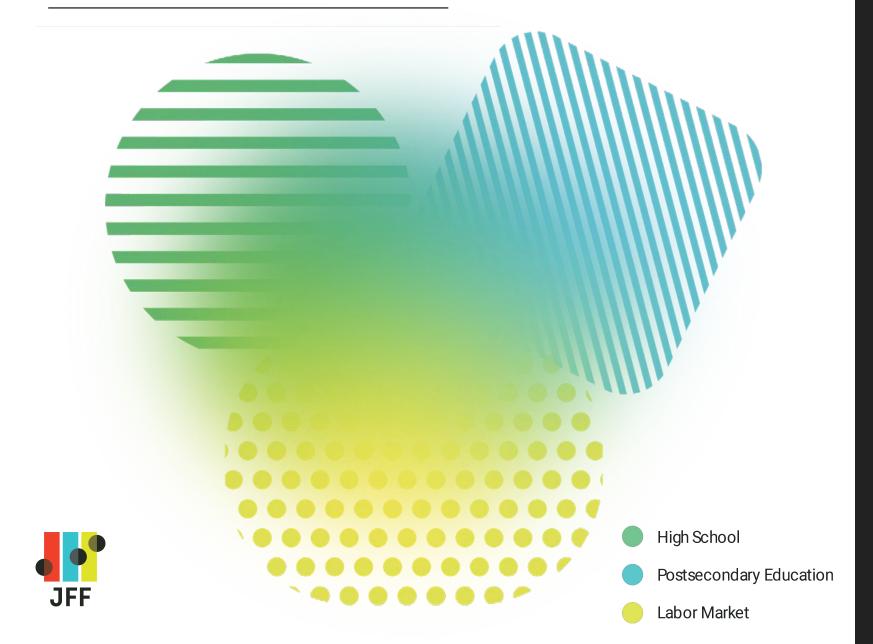
The Big Blur

An Argument for Erasing the Boundaries Between High School, College, and Careers—and Creating One New System That Works for Everyone

WE'VE BEEN TRYING TO IMPROVE TRANSITIONS FOR A LONG TIME



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FREE FOR STUDENTS

GUIDED PATHWAYS MODEL

INTEGRATED
WORK-BASED
LEARNING
EXPERIENCES

ACADEMIC AND CAREER NAVIGATION

WRAPAROUND SUPPORTS



INCENTIVES

State accountability systems emphasize metrics of success for cohorts of students in grades 11-14

Pool fundingstreams for
students in grades
11-14



ALIGNMENT

11th graders enter
new institutional
structures
incorporating high
school and college
requirements
designed for career
preparation and
incorporating work
experience



GOVERNANCE

A senior leader with decision making authority oversees, ensures funding for, and supports unified grades 11-14 institutional structures



STAFFING

Specially trained educators and leaders are equipped to teach, curate and organize learning and work experiences and support systems for students in grades 11-14.

Back on Track Pathways

JFF's Back on Track pathways contain specific components drawn from best practices, yet they are flexible enough to guide pathway development across a wide range of contexts. Each pathway is organized around distinct, supportive phases, delivered through partnerships, that help young adults develop the skills they need to move along a path to career advancement and economic mobility.



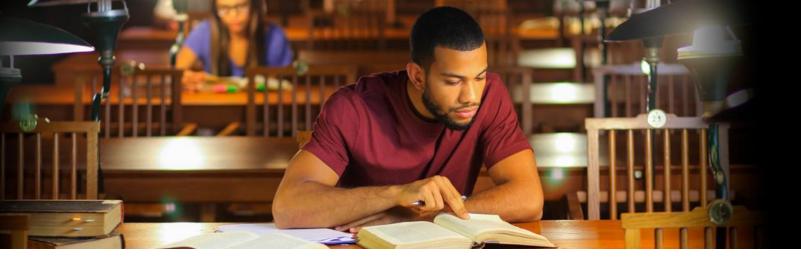




Back on Track Postsecondary Success Model

- This pathway helps youth and young adults prepare for and transition into degree-granting postsecondary programs of study.
- 9 city SIF Opportunity Works
 Demonstration
- 6 LEAP communities under Annie E.
 Casey Foundation's SIF
- 12 Texas district schools, charters and cbos





Back on Track: Postsecondary Success

Enriched Preparation

Integrates high-quality college/career-ready instruction with strong academic and social supports

Postsecondary Bridging

Builds college/career-ready skills and provides informed transition counseling

First Year Support and Beyond

Offers appropriate supports to ensure postsecondary persistence and career success



Phase One: Enriched Preparation

Enriched Preparation

Integrates high-quality college/career-ready instruction with strong academic and social supports

Postsecondary Bridging

Builds college/career-ready skills and provides informed transition counseling

First Year Support and Beyond

Offers appropriate supports to ensure postsecondary persistence and career

- College- and Career-Ready Culture
- College- and Career-Ready Curriculum and Instruction

- Intentional Use of Time,
 Technology, and Assessment to
 Customize Instruction and
 Accelerate Learning
- Personalized Guidance and Support



Phase Two: Postsecondary Bridging

Enriched Preparation

integrates high-quality college/career-ready instruction with strong academic and social supports

Postsecondary Bridging

Builds college/career-ready skills and provides informed transition counseling

First Year Support and Beyond

Offers appropriate supports to ensure postsecondary persistence and career success

- Supported Dual Enrollment/First Technical Courses
- A Focus on College Knowledge and Success Strategies, and Employment Readiness

 Personalized Guidance on Connection to Best Bets



Phase Three: First Year Support and Beyond

Enriched Preparation

Integrates high-quality college/career-ready instruction with strong academic and social supports

Postsecondary Bridging

Builds
college/career-ready skills
and provides informed
transition counseling

First Year Support and Beyond

Offers appropriate supports to ensure postsecondary persistence and career success

- Support for Students to Earn Credits Predictive of Completion
- Just-in-Time Support to Ensure Persistence

 Building Attachment to Postsecondary Education and Careers



A FEW BEST PRACTICES FROM BACK ON TRACK IMPLEMENTORS

Individual and cohort-based programming

Near peer supports

Habits of mind and college academic readiness

Finding yourself in the institution

Agency and autonomy

No wrong doors

student-centered navigation tools

Creative use of incentives

Dual enrollment

On and off ramps

Dedicated transition staff

Measuring what matters



PUTTING IT ALL TOGETHER



Key Questions to Consider

What structures, strategies, practices and relationships help build momentum for students along their postsecondary success journey?

